Energy Innovation Task Force (EITF) Meeting Notes October 14, 2016 10:00am-12:00pm

Members in Attendance: Brownie Newman, Jason Walls, Ed Katz, Sonia Marcus, Sam Ruark, Dave Hollister, Jane Hatley, Sonya Greck, Himanshu Karvir, J Hackett

Members introduced themselves and County Commissioner Brownie Newman welcomed everyone and went over the agenda for the meeting.

The group discussed updates on data needs from Duke Energy and the coordination between the working groups and Duke Energy to collect that data. The Peak Reduction Work Group provided an update from their meeting with Duke Energy. Mr. Brad Rouse described the data that has been shared concerning the needs for the peaker plant. The group was able to understand what will be needed to avoid the plant. Members discussed the benefits of hearing Duke Energy's perspectives and assumptions on the needs and the accuracy of the forecasts. The group has also requested other data from Duke Energy, which they are working on collecting. Members also discussed the need to look at the overall timeline of when decisions need to be made and how the group is working to develop a two year work plan.

Other work groups provided updates about their work. The Technology Work Group began working on the group's purpose and protocols and is looking to have a deeper discussion with Duke about storage while working on the work plan. The Programs Work Group is gathering information on the current process for Duke's programs so that the group can propose new programs. The group is hoping to have programs, measures, and goals by the next meeting. The Community Outreach Work Group has begun looking at their scope of work and has created a draft document. The scope includes creating a platform for members to listen, learn, educate, and respond to people and to promote the work of the EITF.

Ms. Virginia Lacy from the Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) presented on the EITF process. The presentation included an overview of the process for developing a work plan, how RMI staff is working with the chairs of the EITF and the workgroups, and the approach and solutions to tackling the goals of the EITF.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Rick Clemenzi asked members questions concerning data collection and the group's process and work.